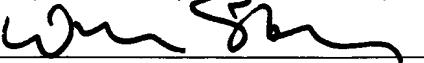




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Applic. No. : 10/705,516 Confirmation No: 4837
Applicant : Thomas Kilger et al.
Filed : November 10, 2003
Title : Electronic Device with External Contact Elements and Method
for Producing a Plurality of the Devices
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R E S P O N S E

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the restriction requirement on pages 2 and 3 of the above-identified Office Action, applicants elect group II, claims 7-14, for prosecution at this time.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application including the method claims of group I at a later date.

In view of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits of claims 7-14 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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